

### BRITISH PETROLEUM CLAIMS SCOUTED

Head of American Petroleum  
Institute Belittles Talk of  
99 Per Cent. Control.

### LEASES NOT PRODUCERS

U. S. Men Have Concessions in  
Many Places, Says Expert,  
on Way to Europe.

Reports of Great Britain's control of 99 per cent. of the world's oil fields were denied yesterday in a statement prepared by Thomas A. O'Donnell, president of the American Petroleum Institute. Mr. O'Donnell is on his way to Europe with other leading oil men to attend the International Petroleum Conference. He explained that such reports are based on the fact that British interests, backed by the British Government, have obtained concessions described as oil concessions but which are in fact merely leases. He pointed out that the future oil resources, he added.

Mr. O'Donnell's statement showed how the American oil industry has gone abroad for concessions and now has holdings in Mexico, South America and Russia. He said that the British have been just as enterprising and aggressive even since the situation was brought home to them in 1914 in obtaining control of the oil fields of Persia. He pointed out that the British have been just as enterprising and aggressive even since the situation was brought home to them in 1914 in obtaining control of the oil fields of Persia.

### CROKER DECISION DEFERRED 2 WEEKS

Injunction Obtained by Son Is  
Question at Issue.

Special to THE SUN and NEW YORK HERALD.  
WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., June 13.—Arguments in the Croker case being heard by Judge E. B. Bonnell of the Circuit Court today to-day that the court reporter would require a week in which to transcribe the stenographic notes of the hearing and the Judge would then take a week in which to study the record and the case and to write his decision.

### TWO MEN SOUGHT IN ELWELL KILLING

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Both said they had not seen him in upland of a year. The Court said that the husband is now en route to this country. Mrs. Elwell said she had married twice, the first marriage having terminated in the divorce courts. The maiden name of the woman was Zachow.

A very anxious caller at the house and a latecomer to a number of the examinations was Walter Elwell, brother of the slain man. In speaking to reporters Mr. Elwell said: "We are extremely grateful to the newspaper and to every one who is trying to aid in the solution of this mystery. I assure you that as far as the family is concerned we shall not let the matter rest until the slayer has been brought to justice. We are firm believers in the doctrine, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.'"

### Hint of Hired Assassin.

Other persons questioned attacked the suicide theory to which the police were inclined to lean last Friday. A. P. Gold, who said that he was Elwell's brother-in-law, told Mr. Elwell that he was to have met his employer Friday and was to have discussed with him arrangements for purchasing a cottage at Saratoga Springs.

Gerald Wintry, Elwell's horse trainer, said that he had purchased a horse for \$5,000 Thursday, the day before the killing. He said that he had been acquainted with Elwell for some time and that he had been very friendly to him.

### STRIKE AT JUNCTION VICTORY FOR PUBLIC

Employers Yielding to Threat  
Held Equally Culpable in  
Conspiracy.

A court decision which makes clear to organized labor that it cannot dictate to those who employ it, and which makes clear to timid employers of labor that it is their duty to fulfill their legal obligations even when organized labor threatens that if they do they will be the victim of a strike, was handed down in Brooklyn last week in the case of the Burgess Brothers Company, a firm from the number which sought an injunction against various steamship lines and certain employees' unions.

The Burgess company had made contracts to deliver and ship lumber both to this country and abroad but it encountered serious difficulty when it tried to export its product. Its drivers and handlers were not union men, the company having employed none since a strike in January of this year. Some of all the duties which the company's trucks, or touch anything of theirs which was brought to the piers by men who were not members of a labor union, and would strike and refuse to handle the lumber. The company's trucks, or touch anything of theirs which was brought to the piers by men who were not members of a labor union, and would strike and refuse to handle the lumber.

### Justice Fawcett's Ruling.

In his opinion and decision Justice Fawcett said: "The moving papers herein show that all of the parties are engaged in a combination having for its object the exclusion of plaintiff's merchandise from the transportation business. It is not a case where the plaintiff is the shipper and where its customers are the shippers. The continuance of this condition makes it impossible for plaintiff to carry on its business in any form. If combinations of this character are lawful, then it is impossible for any trucking to be done in New York city and vicinity except on terms that the truckmen's union permits, and it becomes entirely impracticable for the truckmen's union to decide what merchandise it will haul, and what merchandise it will not haul. The continuance of this condition makes it impossible for plaintiff to carry on its business in any form. If combinations of this character are lawful, then it is impossible for any trucking to be done in New York city and vicinity except on terms that the truckmen's union permits, and it becomes entirely impracticable for the truckmen's union to decide what merchandise it will haul, and what merchandise it will not haul.

### PENSACOLA DEATH IS LAID TO PLAGUE

Plans Are Taken to Localize  
Dangerous Area in the  
Gulf Port.

PENSACOLA, Fla., June 13.—Following the announcement to-day by State Laboratory experts that the death of George Gardina here Friday undoubtedly was due to bubonic plague, steps were inaugurated by the city authorities for an immediate clean-up campaign in the city. A special meeting of the City Commission will be held to-morrow morning to discuss the situation. The Gardina case is the only one thus far reported.

Public health officials already have started a survey of the city to localize what might be regarded as a dangerous area. They have determined upon a thorough extermination of rats, and will take special precautions to see that no ships tie up at the piers without proper rat guards.

Commerce from this port will not be interfered with by the plague, but all vessels and all freight cars leaving here will be fumigated and every port will be required to enforce fumigation regulations on all ships that arrive from Pensacola. Vessels that have been on the high seas seven or more days will not be subject to quarantine on arrival at destination, it was said here.

Official reports expressed confidence that the plague would not attain alarmingly proportions.

WASHINGTON, June 13.—Officials of the public health service said to-night that it was not definitely established that a case of bubonic plague had developed at Pensacola. The death of George Gardina, reported to the Public Health Service and to the local health department, was being investigated, it was said. Pathological specimens will be forwarded here to-morrow for examination.

### Three Drowned in River Storm.

FAYETTE CITY, Pa., June 13.—Capt. Lincoln Hodgson of the towing steamship Vesta, belonging to the Vesta Coal Company, his son and a woman employed on the vessel were drowned to-day in a river storm. A strong wind storm in the Monongahela River at Allentown.

### MISCELLANEOUS LEASES.

A. A. Hageman leased for the Six Eighty Corporation a foot in 8.8 Sixth street to Samuel Cohen; also for Louis Schapiro basement in 641 Sixth street to Tom Canas.

Chapman & Wakefield, Inc., leased offices at 140 East Forty-second street to Eddie & Walter, and in 114-116 East Forty-second street to Frederick and M. E. Hulsman.

Wagon Moll, Merrill Company leased offices at 140 East Forty-second street to Dr. Theodore Blum and apartments in 115 East Fifty-fifth street to Mrs. N. T. Porter, Miss Barbara Reattle and Miss Margaret Reattle.

### 60,000 NEEDED IN FARMS IN 2 STATES

College Students Must Be  
Hardy to Meet Harvest Con-  
ditions in Middle West.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 13.—College students must be in the middle West in the harvesting of grain in the middle West this season. They need not expect a vacation with pay, say the employment agents who were here to-day to recruit for the harvest in the middle West.

A. L. Barkman, zone clearance officer in charge of the whole belt, emphasizes the fact that workers must be hardy and able to stand the heat and the long hours. Such a condition is possible to be provided with a small surplus in case of delay in finding work, due to rains. He also emphasizes the fact that able-bodied men are wanted, and that prospective workers should be sure of their endurance if they are to be of value either to themselves or to the farmers.

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### REAL ESTATE NEWS NOTES AND GOSSIP

Railroad Situation More Fa-  
vorable to Building.

Railroads terminating in and near New York have by word and action put a much more favorable aspect upon the immediate future of building construction, according to the Dow Service Daily Building Reports. When it was shown that the completion of living quarters for several hundred families this autumn was dependent upon the immediate shipment of some twenty odd thousand barrels of cement one company pledged 50,000 barrels, if necessary, out of its reserve of 500,000 barrels. It was stated that the matter was presented to Ralph Peters, president of the Long Island Railroad, through the Mayor's Committee, full cooperation was promised.

In a letter to Thomas J. Curran, manager of the Parkman Cheesbrough Lane Company, L. A. Anthony, superintendent of car service for the Long Island Railroad, explained the relationship of the barren building material market to car shortage. He said:

"There is a shortage of box cars. We have an order from the Interstate Commerce Commission to forward twenty-five cars per day from the Boston and Maine branch of the New York Central System to the Great Northern Railroad, presumably to facilitate the movement of Western crops, and this order has to be taken care of regardless of our own requirements."

"After filling this order each day we are endeavoring to distribute the balance of the cars in various ways, giving the most preference to the building industry, as we are able to do in the future, as it depends very largely upon the number of cars coming to us. At the present time the eastbound movement of box cars is not heavy as for other classes of equipment. We are hoping to be able to get some cars from the New Haven road to-morrow and if we do we will apply some of them to the order on the North Adams branch."

### Some Relief Is in Sight.

While the building material supply situation in this city will still be a famine classification, with no cement, lime or plaster on hand in any of the dealers' yards, a glimmer of hope was found for partial relief in the action of the United States Customs Service in attempting to unload some of the ships in the harbor. In some of these ships building materials have been awaiting unloading for three months. This relief will come in the form of Oklahoma plaster and lime supplies sent through Galveston some time ago when the railroad embargoes were in force.

For the first time since last year the builders of the Hackensack district were assured toward the week end that they would be able to get all the common brick they wanted from the Hackensack kilns. The North River brick manufacturers are producing about 5 per cent. of last year's supply, with labor fairly steady in supply and temper.

As the building material market now stands, new projects are not receiving much consideration from any angle. The full release for money in most of the Eastern States is making mortgage money on open projects, even though the building industry is complaining about scarcity of labor of all kinds as they have an over supply now, but cannot get the materials and therefore are laying off surplus help. The building material dealers are not interested in new buildings because they have their hands full supplying jobs already in progress. Contractors are saving the day when building materials will be in better supply, because they find that with an open price market the cost is not only undecidable but the factor of cost is a variable one. Building materials endangers the equity of the job.

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**WOMEN TO MEET IN 1922.**  
To Gather in Paris if France Withdraws Suffrage.  
GENEVA, June 13.—The International Woman Suffrage Alliance Congress at its closing session here this afternoon adopted a resolution to hold the next Congress in Paris in 1922.  
The acceptance, however, is contingent upon the women of France not obtaining the franchise within a year previous to the next Congress, as the latter desires to convene in a country where women have not been enfranchised.

### FOUR SAVED AFTER DRIFTING 27 HOURS

Children in Open Boat Had  
Perilous Trip on Lake.

CHICAGO, June 13.—Drowned and then being rescued, a boat that they were in, the children of Mrs. J. J. Richard, 86, Robert D. 30, and Virginia Hillier, 12, arrived here to-night on board the steamship City of Toledo after having been lost for more than twenty-seven hours. The children drifted out into the lake from Lakeside, Mich., yesterday morning while playing at the beach.

When the boat docked here to-night the children were the center of an admiring crowd of 1,500 passengers. Little Robert was the coolest and most collected of the crowd and probably the only one who was not wet when he was restored to the arms of his mother.

In telling the story of the trip across the lake Mrs. Richard said that they were in the boat for more than twenty-seven hours. The children drifted out into the lake from Lakeside, Mich., yesterday morning while playing at the beach.

### SINGLE TAXERS TO MEET.

Call issued for Convention in Chicago July 10 to 13.

It was announced yesterday at headquarters of the national committee of the Single Tax party at 23 East Thirtieth street, that a call has been sent out for a national convention of the party to be held July 10 to 13 in Chicago. The call is signed by Robert C. Mauley of Pennsylvania, national chairman. The committee of arrangements includes Herman O. Loew and V. Vance Cohen of New Jersey, Arthur Morino of Rhode Island, James A. Robinson of Pennsylvania and Joseph Dana Miller and Frank Choderov of New York.

### CAR MEN ON SILENT STRIKE.

Line Between Pleasure Bay and Sea Tied Up.

ASBURY PARK, June 13.—A "silent" strike called on the Atlantic Coast Railway Company after the employees' demands for increased pay had been refused and six men had been discharged. The strike service between Pleasure Bay and Sea Tied Up to-day. George B. Cade, assistant to Scott P. Haselberg, president of the company, denied the men had been discharged for union activities.

### BOMB ROUTS SLEEPERS.

Five in Wrecked Room Escape Injury.

WATERBURY, June 14.—Shortly after midnight a bomb exploded under the piazza near a sleeping room in the Italian section of this city, exploding, wrecking the room in which five persons were sleeping, all of whom escaped injury. A geyser of fire was seen in the building. The head of the household, who was in the employ of the Chase Metal Works of Waterbury, has been out on strike for nearly eight weeks. Two men are held by the police. Most of the property in this section is owned by the Chase interests.

### Federal Dry Agent Killed.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 13.—W. D. Dorsey, a Federal prohibition agent, was killed to-day while engaged in destroying a moonshine still he had discovered in a house occupied by John R. Rimmer, a Georgia farmer. According to information received here, Ed Carpenter, driver of the automobile in which Dorsey went to the place, was wounded at the same time, and the body of the agent's assailant, wounded farmer.

### POLISH CRISIS NOT SERIOUS.

Due to Differences on the Sequel-  
tion of Grain.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—A cablegram from Warsaw to the Polish Legation to-day explained that the recent resignation of the Polish Cabinet was caused by differences of opinion among the members as to "the question of grain." The Cabinet will continue to serve, however, until a new one is appointed, as the resignation would be overcome by making certain changes in portfolios.